## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: JEREMIE M. THOMAS : CHAPTER 13

Debtor

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JEREMIE M. THOMAS :

Movant

:

VS.

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC

d/b/a MR. COOPER; JACK N.

ZAHAROPOULOS, CHAPTER 13

TRUSTEE

Respondents : CASE NO. 1-20-bk-03254-HWV

## TRUSTEE'S OBJECTION TO DEBTOR'S MOTION TO APPROVE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY FREE AND CLEAR OF LIENS, CLAIMS AND ENCUMBRANCES AND APPROVING DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS

AND NOW, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2021, comes Jack N. Zaharopoulos,

Standing Chapter 13 Trustee for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, through his attorney, James

K. Jones, and responds to debtor's Motion for Approval of Sale of Real Property as follows:

- 1) Respondent Jack N. Zaharopoulos is the duly appointed Trustee for this case.
- 2) Trustee does not object to the sale of debtor's real estate as set forth in the motion.
- 3) Trustee objects to a flat fee of \$3,500.00 for attorney fees as set forth in Paragraph 6(c) of the motion as a lodestar fee calculated after the closing of the sale would be a more appropriate method to determine the reasonable compensation and expenses due.
- 4) Debtor's counsel should be directed to escrow \$3,500.00 from the sale proceeds and be compensated for reasonable services and expenses as determined after a review of a fee application. Any remaining funds should be paid to the Trustee towards unsecured claims through the plan.

5. Trustee objects to the distribution of sale proceeds set forth in Paragraph 7

of movant's motion since all non-exempt proceeds for the sale should be paid into the plan for

the benefit of unsecured creditors.

WHEREFORE, your Trustee respectfully requests Your Honorable court to

approve the sale as requested in debtor's motion. Debtor's counsel should be directed to escrow

the requested fees and to thereafter submit a fee application to justify reasonable compensation

and expenses. Any remaining proceeds after counsel is compensated are to be paid to Trustee for

distribution to allowed unsecured claims filed in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack N. Zaharopoulos

Standing Chapter 13 Trustee

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BY: /s/James K. Jones

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

AND NOW, this 22nd day of June, 2021, I hereby certify that I have served the within Objection by electronically notifying parties or by depositing a true and correct copy of the same in the United States Mail at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, postage prepaid, first class mail, addressed to the following:

John Hyams, Esquire 2023 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 203 Harrisburg, PA 17102

/s/Deborah A. Behney
Office of Charles J. DeHart, III
Standing Chapter 13 Trustee